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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

At page 1, line 1, please replace "MSH5 ABLATED MICE AND USES THEREFOR" with -- METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING COMPOUNDS WHICH MODULATE THE ACTIVITY OF MSH5--:

At page 25, line 1, please replace "MSH5 ABLATED MICE AND USES THEREFOR" with -- METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING COMPOUNDS WHICH MODULATE THE ACTIVITY OF MSH5--: